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# HAMLETS

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 19th March 2025. Attended by: Cllrs. J Hobbs (Chair) J Phipps, K Boundy, N Steer, K Jones, J Payne, G Worden, R Savage, C. Cllr. S Tilbey and the Clerk. Apologies were received from Cllr. C Myers. One member of the public also attended.

The usual maintenance matters were covered. Contractors were appointed for the 2025/6 year for the various grass cutting and path maintenance; along with the public toilets and Duckpool toilets. A request was received from the Morwenstow Community Centre Committee; to plant a tree with in the grounds of the Playing Fields, to commemorate 40 years since the Community Centre opened - this was agreed. Various policies were reviewed with audit reviews also taking place in preparation for the internal audit.

Local elections are taking place on Thursday 1st May 2025 – for anyone wishing to become a Parish Councillor in the next term – please contact the clerk for further information. The deadline for submission of papers is 1st April in Bodmin or 2nd April in Truro. Please ensure that you are registered to vote before 11th April.

A management committee has been formed for the new facilities. A request was made for pickleball lines to also be included in the court markings – this was agreed by the Council. A total of 105 trees were gifted by the Woodland Trust; with the help of the Woodford Community Garden and the Parish Councillors – they were planted on Saturday 8th March.

No planning applications were considered. Two had been received only a couple of days before the meeting. The planning officer agreed that the Council could consider these at the April meeting.

Please see the draft minutes in full on the website for further details.

The next regular Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th April 2025 at 7:30pm.

All are welcome to the meetings.	Sheridon Rosser (Mrs), Clerk to the Parish Council.

\*Please note that the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Open meeting will both be one week earlier this year, due to the election timetable.

Wednesday 14th May 2025 – Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Monthly Parish Council Meeting.

Wednesday 21st May 2025 – Annual Parish Open Meeting where all groups in the Parish are invited to attend and give updates of their year. There are also speakers at these meetings.



## FEBRUARY RAINFALL

Killarney – John Jukes recorded:	80.5mm or 3.16 ins
Duckpool Cottage – Jen Ash recorded:	74.2mm or 2.92 ins
Lopthorne – David Manfield recorded:	
Tor View – Ken Boundy recorded:	74mm or 2.91 ins
Cornakey – Sue Causey recorded:	83mm or 3.27 ins

### Did you know?

You can report many things directly online to Cornwall Council. It is particularly helpful if you can report road issues on here, this will trigger a quick assessment for any repairs from Cornwall Council.

https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/report-something/

#### **BUDE AREA TOY LIBRAY**

'Did you know ......Bude Area Toy Library has hundreds of toys (from 6 months to 8 years approx.) available to borrow for 2 weeks at a time. Membership is £30 per annum (£45 for playgroups and childminders, as multiple use these toys.

We are based at Neetside Community Centre in Bude and open every Weds 9.30-11.30, Sat 10-11.00. We also have large toys suitable for parties and outdoors (slides, roller coasters, seesaws, ride-on bikes, scooters etc).

We are run entirely by volunteers and welcome new volunteers too. Look forward to seeing some new faces!

### **CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL 2025**

#### **Morwenstow Parish Church**

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion - Teresa Folland
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Family Service – Richard Painter & Shorne Tilbey
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Stations of the Cross – Rev Richard Ward-Smith
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Easter Holy Communion – Rev Teresa Folland
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	3.00pm	Evensong led by Richard Painter

#### Woodford Methodist Chapel

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Rev Joy Wilson
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Barry Bryne
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	4.00pm	Rev Richard Ward – Smith
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Good Friday Concert
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Café Style/Family Service
Sunday 27th	11.00am	Rev Richard Skinner

Coffee Morning – Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 10.00am – 12.00pm. All welcome.

Woodford Chapel would like to thank everyone who has helped cut the Chapel grass in previous years. Anyone who would like to volunteer this year can call or text Mark Jenkin on 07752277492

#### **Morwenstow Methodist Church – Shop Chapel**

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Service led by Mrs Pam Colwill
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Service led by Merrytones
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Easter Day Communion with Rev Meg Slingo
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Service led by Mr Andrew Pitt

\*Merrytone services are led by the congregation and include hymns, readings, recitals, and songs by the Merrytones music group

### MORWENSTOW METHODIST CHURCH

## 'LUNCHEON CLUB'

Please join us for Roast Lamb or Cheesy Vegetarian Bake and a selection of delicious puddings on

Wednesday 16th April

Midday at Shop Chapel Please book (£7.50) by contacting Valerie on (01288) 331263 or Edith on (01288) 331397 Proceeds in aid of The Farming Community Network and Shop Chapel ALL ARE MOST WELCOME

## **Family News**

George William Swinford passed away on 5th February. The funeral service was held at our Parish Church on 25th February and was conducted by Very Rev Dr Christopher Hardwick with the organist being Colin Tape. After the service and the burial, which took place in the Churchyard, family and friends gathered at The Bush Inn for refreshments and to share fond memories of George's life. Donations given to the memory of George were for The League of Friends of Stratton Hospital.

Eileen Robinson passed peacefully away after a long illness on 12th February aged 76 years and was formerly of Kilkhampton. The funeral service was held at the Parish Church on 27th February and was conducted by Rev Richard Ward-Smith with Colin Tape playing the organ. Friends gathered at The New Inn, Kilkhampton after the service for refreshments and to share fond memories of Eileen's life. Donations to Eileen's memory were for Dementia UK.

Michael Richard Prouse of Barnstaple passed away unexpectedly at NDDH on 17th February aged 66 years. The funeral was held at ND Crematorium on 24th March with Rev Richard Ward-Smith officiating. Michael grew up in Woodford, the son of Dick and Mary and lived there for many years before moving to Barnstaple. He had a long association with Morwenstow AFC and was the younger brother of Pat and Jean and older brother to Andrew and Jan. Donations given to Michael's memory were for Cancer Research UK, Morwenstow AFC, Woodford Methodist Chapel and Bideford Men's Shed. After the service, friends travelled back to The New Inn in Kilkhampton for refreshments and to share further memories of Michael's life. Deepest sympathy to his partner Gill and his daughters Anna and Liza and their families.

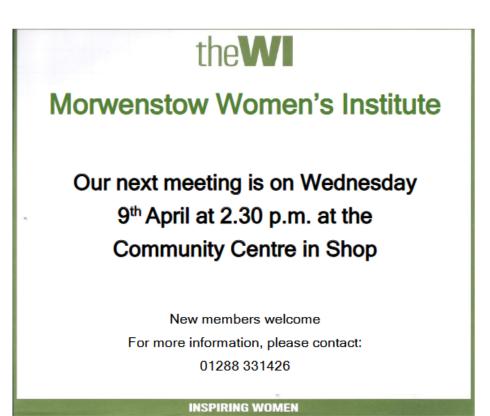
Phyllis Mary Stevens of White Gates, Poughill passed away peacefully at home on 18th February aged 94 years. Phyllis's maiden name was Lucas and former generations of her family farmed at Rectory, Morwenstow. Following the retirement of her late husband Gordon, the couple purchased Higher Brownspit and although they never lived there, they encountered many Morwenstow people.

Margaret Grace Colwill passed away at her home in Penstowe Road, Kilkhampton on 2nd March aged 102 years. She was the widow of the late Leslie Colwill and they farmed at Burridge, Morwenstow for many years. Her funeral was held at the Church of St James the Great, Kilkhampton on 21st March, with Rev Richard Ward-Smith officiating and with Luke Francis playing the organ. The service was followed by burial in the Churchyard, after-which friends joined the family at The New Inn for refreshments and to share fond memories of Marg's long life. Donations given to Marg's memory were for Kilkhampton Football Club and Cornwall Air Ambulance. Deepest sympathy to all the family.

Rev Brian Dorrington, a former Vicar of Morwenstow passed away at his home on 21st March at the age of 92. He was our Vicar for a number of years and retired to Bude with his wife Pat, who passed away seven years ago. Our sympathy goes to his daughters Gillian and Fiona and their families.

At the time of going to press the news came through that David Savage of Gooseham has passed away. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Joy and all the family during their very sad time and a fuller tribute will appear in next month's Family News.

We express our sympathy to the many people in our community who are bereaved at this time.



### **Institute Affairs**

#### Skittle Alley

With one game left to play, all the players have enjoyed playing despite varying results. The B team has had a good season, results wise, although their form has dropped a bit lately. The A team has had a different season, results wise, with 2 or 3 members unavailable through various means. However, for the last 2 or 3 weeks they have been winning, often outscoring the B team. The Cup team have not been able to win any of the cup competitions, though they got close on a couple of occasions.

#### Pot Black

People have started to use the table more. 2 or 3 people have become members recently and I understand 2 or 3 youngsters wish to start playing snooker, having played pool, so, maybe we may have a team back in the snooker league next season. Some have had problems obtaining enough 20p pieces to feed the meter so the committee have decided to have a new £1 meter which will mean £3 per hour which is what virtually every club has done in the last 2 years. When a new table cloth costs £700, rising again in the autumn, this is still not an expensive hobby.

#### The Book Room

The Book room is open Mondays from 10.30am until 1.00pm and from 11.00am until 1.00pm on a Thursday. There is a vast collection of books available covering every subject you could mention. Apparently, more people are reading books, so look in, browse through the collection. There is a donation box beside the entrance door to the snooker room. Also, there is a huge collection of jigsaw puzzles available so when you need a break from reading, have a go at one of the many puzzles. Some of the skittles players have purchased books, and any snooker players interested, just pop in next door for a few minutes.

#### Summer Skittles

We will start our summer skittles evening on May 6<sup>th</sup> on a Tuesday. The 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in each month we start at 8.00pm. We have 2 games of skittles and 1 round of single pins. Fed up watching television? Come and have a go. We have no stars, you will find everyone is very friendly and we encourage youngsters', you may enjoy it!

Colin Tape (Chairman)

#### MORWENSTOW COMMUNITY CENTRE - MCC - NEWS Take a look at our website to see what is happening at the centre https://morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk/

Contact our Bookings Manager to make your own booking via this email: bookings@morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk OR Tel 01288 331393 We also have a Morwenstow Community Centre Facebook page:-

https://www.facebook.com/groups/637728588280275?locale=en\_GB

Community Art Group - Joyful Moves - Play & Stay - Judo - Yoga - Pickleball -

Badminton - We have a badminton net, you just need to bring your own racquets &

shuttlecocks. Table Tennis - we have the equipment just need the human beings to use it so BOOK A SESSION TO HAVE SOME FUN!

#### SEND IN YOUR

PHOTOGRAPHS

3 per person

The photographs selected by our calendar group will be included in a

2026 calendar which will be on sale later this year

The theme for the photos is

"Views of MORWENSTOW"

Please name where your photo was taken as calendar purchasers like to know the location

All entries to be sent in by email

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Last entries by Monday 30th April 2025

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Thank you!!!!!!

Morwenstow Community Centre Open Gardens Event Save the date Sunday 22nd June 2025



Cream Teas & Refreshments at the MCC where you will collect your map to locate the gardens.

The AED/CPR Training Event

We had an excellent attendance on Friday 21st March at the MCC. £107.95 was raised from donations from the attendees. Thank you. There will be more events in the future so we hope to see you next time if you were unable to make this one!! Newcomers & refreshers always welcome. Any age group from

secondary school upwards can attend. Jay's Aim provide this training FREE & their trainer drove from Exeter to lead the event! The hope is to make individuals feel more comfortable & confident when faced with a casualty who needs their help. Meantime if you would like to donate to Jay's Aim please go to their website. jaysaim.co.uk & hit the DONATE button.

Thank you from Sharon Olde & Lainey Cole (Guardians of Morwenstow Parish AED's located in Shop, Eastcott, Woolley, Gooseham & outside The Bush Inn. If you have to ring 999 they will let you know where your nearest defibrillator is wherever you are, home or away!





Preserving the past and the present for the future

## **Annual General Meeting**

Followed by "The History of Ham" presented by

Anthony Richmond-Watson

## FRIDAY 4 April 2025 at 7.30 p.m. MORWENSTOW COMMUNITY CENTRE, SHOP

There will be a small charge for non-members to include tea/coffee and biscuits.

Contact the secretary on 01288 331363.

or email: morsoc2@gmail.com for further details

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#### **EDITORIAL**

#### Email your articles to - jsphippsmpc@hotmail.com

#### The latest date for copy is the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding publication

The Editor is not responsible for the views and comments of contributors and reserves the right to edit any article if necessary

If you wish to contact the Chairman of the Parish Council on any matter, please telephone Jonathan Hobbs on (01288) 331236

#### **USEFUL DATES**

Rubbish & Recycling collections – Rubbish – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April<br/>Recycling – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> April<br/>Food Waste collection every ThursdayParish Council – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday (except Aug & Dec)<br/>(1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday – additional planning meeting if required)<br/>Post Office – Thursdays 11.00am – 1.00pm

	Calendar of Events	
Date	Event	Organisation
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the opening of the Community Centre Celebrations – Open Gardens/Cream Teas/Displays	Community Centre
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	Hawker 150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	
Saturday 18th October	Big Breakfast	Community Centre

	219	217	219	217	219	217	219	219	218	217	219	219
Budehaven School	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15:20	15:20	-	-	
Holsworthy Church	-	-	-	10:35	-	12:35	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pyworthy, Molesworth Arms	-	-	-	10:42	-	12:42	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bridgerule, Bridge Inn	-	-	-	10:50	-	12:50	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jewell's Cross Garage	-	-	-	10:53	-	12:53	-	-	-	-	-	
Red Post	-	-	-	10:55	-	12:55	-	-	-	-	-	
Morrisons	-	-	-	11:04	-	13:04	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bude, The Strand	08:30	08:45	09:30	11:10	11:30	13:10	13:30	-	15:25	16:30	16:30	17:30
Poughill Post Office	-	08:53	-	-	-	13:18	-	-	15:33	16:38	-	-
Stibb, opp Phone Box	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15:39	-	-	-
Stibb, Coombe	-	09:04	-	-	-	13:29	-	-	-	16:49	-	
Cleave Crescent	-	09:07	-	-	-	13:32	-	-	-	16:52	-	
Morwenstow, Crosstown	-	09:12	-	-	-	13:37	-	-	-	16:57	-	-
Budehaven School	08:35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Berries Avenue, Playground	-	-	09:35	-	11:35	-	13:35	-	-	-	16:35	17:35
Berkeley Close	08:39	-	09:39	-	11:39	-	13:39	15:23	-	-	16:39	17:39
Red Post Junction	-	-	-	-	11:48	-	13:48	-	-	-	16:48	17:48
Grimscott Estate	-	-	-	-	11:51	-	13:51	-	-	-	16:51	17:51
Kilkhampton The Square	08:50	-	09:50	-	11:58	-	13:58	15:31	15:44	-	16:58	17:58
Kilkhampton North Close	-	-	09:51	-	11:59	-	13:59	15:32	15:45	-	-	17:59
Crimp, Garage	-	-	09:55	-	12:03	-	14:03	15:36	15:49	-	-	18:03
Long Barrow	-	-	09:56	-	12:04	-	14:04	15:37	15:50	-	-	18:04
Welcombe Cross	-	-	09:57	-	12:05	-	14:05	-	15:51	-	-	18:05
Hartland Northgate Green	-	-	10:11	-	12:19	-	14:19	-	16:05	-	-	18:19